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PROCEEDINGS.

RIDDICK'S GROVE CHURCH,
Friday, August 18th, 1882.

On Friday and Saturday, 18th and 19th of August, 1882, the Northeastern N. C. Baptist Middle Ground Sunday School Union held their Second Annual Session in Riddick's Grove Church, near Belvidere, Perquimans county, N. C.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

At 11 o'clock, a. m., August 18th, in the absence of Rev. Geo. W. Lee, who was to preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. John A. Folk officiated, Rev. Charles Caps, his alternate, who read the 40th chapter of Isaiah. Sung hymn 208. Text, 1st Psalm, 2nd chapter and 5th verse. Prayer by Rev. Edward Randolph.

The chairman was now introduced, and by his decision, after a few preliminary remarks, the Union adjourned for one hour, after which the tables were spread, being bountifully provided, and pastors and delegates most cordially invited.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3 o'clock p. m. the Union re-assembled. Rev. H. Hays, Superintendent, read the third chapter of Proverbs; sung hymn 837. Prayer by Samuel Felton.

The Superintendent resumed the chair and stated the object of the meeting and announced the house ready for business.

On motion of S. Felton, the proceedings of the forenoon were read and, on motion of Bro. J. H. Brownigg, were approved.

On motion of J. A. Folk, the list of schools was called.

On motion of J. A. Folk, a Finance Committee of there

was appointed, namely: Bros. J. W. Gordon, H. Hobbs and B. F. Liliy.

On motion of J. A. Folk, a committee of three on arrangements was appointed.

On motion of J. A. Folk, a statistical committee of three was appointed.

On motion of Rev. E. Randall, a committee of seven on permanent organizat on was constituted.

Ou motion of Bro. John A. Welsh, a committee of seven was appointed on time and place.

On motion of J. A. Welsh, a committee of nine was appointed to select auxiliaries.

On motion of Bro. Charles W. Greene, the Union adjourned by singing the doxology.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Saturday, Aug. 19th, 1882.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Union met promptly at 9 o'clock, a. m.

Rev. S. Felton extended an invitation for all persons present to come in and get seats. He further continued by reading Psalm 105, and sung hymn 648, (S. M.) page 406. Divine invocation by J. W. Gordan.

The chair announced the house ready for business, and invited delegates and interested friends to the front.

On motion of A. C. Saterfield, sanctioned by S. D. Nowell, the proceedings of the afternoon session of the first day were read and approved.

On motion of R. R. Davis, the list of schools was called.

On motion of Isaac Robinson, sanctioned by J. A. Welsh, the prayers and petitions of the Evening Star School were received; whereupon some discussion arose relative to her petition: that is, she prayed the Union to send her some books, tracts, or something; that the school was young and poor, unable to pay her title free.

On motion of J. W. Gordan, the above motion was reconsidered, while several brothers arose, stated their sympathies for the school and agreed to pay the requisite sum and entitle her to representation. Bros. J. W. Gordan, I. Burke and A. C. Saterfield paid each ten cents.

On motion of Chas. W. Greene, the above named motion was approved.

The report of the Committee on Arrangements was called for by the chair.

Your Committee on Arrangements beg leave to report:
To fill the stand, Rev. J. A. Folk, Thos. Elliott, his alternate. Services to-night, open at 7 o'clock, p. m., and close at 9 o'clock, p. m. Daily services: open at 9 a. m. and close at 12 m.; re-open at 2 o'clock p. m. and close at 5 o'clock p. m. All of which we humbly submit.

CALEB LILLY, Chairman.

On motion of J. W. Gordan, the above named report was approved.

We, your Committee on Permanent Organization, beg leave to report:
We recommend to you the following named persons for the respective offices, viz: Rev. H. Hays, Superintendent; Rev. S. Felton, Vice-Superintendent; Charles W. Greene, Recording Secretary; John A. Welsh, Assistant Secretary; David Harrill, Treasurer. All of which we humbly submit.

J. H. BROWNIGG, Chairman.

On motion of B. F. Lilly, the above report was received.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to report:
We have selected Leventon's Grove, Gates county, N. C., as the mos tsuitable church for the next annual session of this Union, to convene Thursday before the third Lord's Day, August, 1883. To preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. Edward Randall, Rev. Samuel Felton, his alternate. All of which we humbly submit.

E. H. GODWIN, Chairman.

On motion of J. W. Gordan, the above report was received.

We, your Committee on the Selection of Missionaries, beg leave to report:
For Chowan county—A. C. Saterfield, Isham Burke and Isaac Robinson.
" Perquimans county—J. W. Gordan, Augustus White and A. Riddick.
" Gates county—William Wright, James Jenkins and Ephraim Fantorry.
All of which we humbly submit.

WALTER HARRIS, Chairman.

On motion of B. F. Lilly, the above report was received.

We, your Committee on Statistics, beg leave to report as follows:

Sabbath	Schools	15
"	School Scholars	672
"	" Teachers	58
"	" Secretaries	30
"	" Delegates	15
"	" Superintendents	15

All of which we humbly submit.

F. JORDAN, Chairman.

On motion of H. Hobbs, the above report was approved.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report as follows:

Newly represented schools—four	$ 2 28
Old schools represented—twelve	11 45
Subscription by general agents—one	8 00
General collection	58
Total	$22 31

All ofwhich we humbly submit.

B. F. LILLY, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Investigation, beg leave to report as follows:

We met at Hertford, Perquimans county, N. C., February 15th, 1881, authorized and empowered Rev. H. Hays, Rev. Samuel Felton, Rev. Zion H. Berry, Rev. J. A. Folk and Charles W. Greene, as regular soliciting agents to raise funds in behalf of our proposed Institute.

REV. H. HAYS, Chairman,
" J. A. FOLK, Secretary.

On motion, the above report was approved.

Rev. Henry Hays, a member of the above committee, favorably reported eight dollars in hand and upward of fifty dollars subscribed.

Rev. Samuel Felton reported no funds in hand, but several dollars subscribed.

The Secretary of the Union, also one of the above committee, having received no credentials, reported nothing.

On motion, the agent's reports were approved.

Bros. W. Harris and A. Cresey, missionaries, rendered very interesting reports of their work with Sabbath Schools.

On motion of I. Robinson, the above reports were approved.

Resolved, That this Union order and have printed statistical blanks to be sent to each and every school that is a rightful member of this Union, by which they shall annually be represented.

CHARLES W. GREENE.

By permission of the chair, the delegates here entered a warm and stirring discussion of the proposed institute site, the vice and superintendent taking part. The superintendent was especially spirited and enthusiastic in his remarks.

The chair then announced that it was time for recess.

Bro. J. H. Brownigg invoked a blessing.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3 o'clock p. m., Rev. H. Hays called the meeting to order, and read the 1st Epistle General of John. Sang gospel hymn. Bro. Eli Britt approached the Throne of Grace.

On motion of Bro. H. Hobbs, the reading of the minutes of the forenoon session was dispensed with.

On motion of A. C. Saterfield, the prayer and petition of St. John's School were approved.

On motion of I. Burke, two new names were added to the Investigating Committee, viz: Edward Randall and Alfred Cresey.

On motion of J. H. Brownigg, the addition of the two named gentlemen was approved.

The motion of I. Burke to hear the reading of the minutes of the present session was lost.

On motion of A. C. Saterfield, seven hundred minutes were ordered.

On motion of A. C. Saterfield, sanctioned by J. W. Gordan, that the Superintendent, Recording and Assistant Secretaries be constituted a Printing Committee.

On motion of A, C. Saterfield, the Printing Committee was allowed, for their services three dollars and a half, ($3.50.)

On motion of J. W. Gordan, that the Superintendent, Recording and Assistant Secretaries be allowed nine dollars for their services during this session, was lost.

On motion of I. Robinson, the Printing Committee were paid $3.00 for preparing the minutes of 1881.

On motion of B. F. Lilly, the Printing Committee were empowered to draw from the Treasury the requisite amount needed to defray the expenses of printing and sending the minutes of the second annual session.

On motion of Charles W. Greene, agreed to hear the report of the Treasurer, who repoted no funds on hand.

On motion of I. Burke, the report of the Treasurer was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1883		Dr.
August 18th and 19th	Amount received from schools	$13 72
" " " "	" General agents	8 00
" " " "	" Collections	58
	Total	$22 31
August 19th, 1882	Paid B. F. Lilly, for stationery	$ 5
" " "	Printing Com. for minutes of 1st session	3 00
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On motion of Bro. J. W. Gordan, the members and friends of Riddick's Grove and vicinity were tendered a hearty vote of thanks for their liberality.

SABBATH.

SUNDAY MORNING, Aug. 20th, 1882.

About 9 o'clock, a. m. the Sabbath School opened by singing an appropriate hymn. Prayer by the chaplain.

The teachers and pupils then arranged themselves conveniently, and their exercises were pleasantly gone through; at which time speaking was to take place, as follows:

1st. Alex. White. Subject—Sabbath Schools.

2nd. Isham Burke. Subject—Duty of parents to children.

3rd. Mr. Corfrew, who ably discussed the above subjects.

4th. John A. Welsh. Subject—The same, Sunday School. He acquitted himself nicely.

Time having expired, speaking closed for preaching at 11 o'clock. Rev. H. Hays officiated. Collection taken up, amounting to $1.41.

We, your Committee on Printing, beg leave to report as tollows:

We have prepared, sent and had printed of the proceedingso f the first annual session of the Middle Ground S. S. Union, held at Warren's Grove, N. C., August, 1882, five hundred minutes, for which we paid, postage included, $17.85, having on hand only $6.47, which still left us the amount of $11.38 to solicit and beg wherever we could. All of which is respectfully submitted.

REV. H. H. HAYS, CHAIRMAN.

JOHN H. WELSH, } *Seeretaries.*
CHAS. W. GREENE, }

STATISTICAL TABLE.

GIVING THE NAMES OF SCHOOLS, NUMBER OF PUPILS AND TEACHERS, NAMES OF SUPERINTENDENTS AND CLERKS, AND THEIR P. O.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	SUPERINT'ND'NTS.	SECRETARIES.	DELEGATES.	P. O. ADDRESSES.	No. of Pupils.	Teachers.	Bible Readers.	Title Fee.	Amounts Paid.
Joppa	B. F. Beaman	R. Parker	B. F. Beaman	Mintonsville, N. C.	85	5	34	$ 1 70	$ 1 70
*Levinston's Grove				Gatesville. "					
*Mineral Spring				Nurnesville, "					
*New Hope				Gatesville, "					
*Stony Branch				Gatlington, "					
Hinton's Grove	S. D. Nowell	Alex. Rountree	Alex. Rountree	Gatesville, "	68	4	20	1 36	1 36
St. John	R. H. Houghton.	Z. H. Houghton.	Proxy	Edenton, "	35	3	15	70	50
Evening Star School	Alex. White	L. D. Holley	Alex. White	" "	15	2	...	30	30
Michael School	J. S. Burke	H. B. Jordan	J. S. Burke	Mintonsville, "	36	4	18	72	72
Saunders' Grove	C. H. Felton.	T. J. Felton	T. J. Felton	Hertford, "	34	4	10	68	68
Welsh's Chapel	Eli Britt	H. W. Welsh	H. W. Welsh and J. H Brownigg.	Wardsville, "	28	4	25	56	56
Riddick's Grove	S. Riddick	Caleb Lilly	B. F. Lilly	Belvidere, "	45	5	12	90	90
Providence, Edenton	Jes. D. Jones	Cupid Bissell	S. F. Felton and Betty Creesy	Edenton, "	80	6	50	1 60	1 60
First Colored, Hertford	G. W. Skinner	T. H. Bembry	J. W. Gordan	Hertford, "	50	6	17	1 00	1 00
Warren's Grove	Henry Miller		Isham Burke	Edenton, "	50	..	23	1 00	1 00
Ward's	A. Robinson	I. S. Robinson	C. W. Rountree	Tyner "	40	3	20	80	80
Hudson's	Miles Trip	Fred. Jordan	F. Jordan	Wardsville, "	25	3	16	50	50
Sutton's School	Nathan Reid	T. H. Bembry	Proxy	Hertford, "	12	3	6	25	25
Sandy Branch	R. R. Davis	Jno. S. Green	S. L. Newby	Edenton, "	53	4	30	1 06	1 06
*Zion's Tabernacle				Holly Grove, "					
*Rook's School				Reynoldson, "					
Milton's Grove	A. B. Elliott		Proxy	Windfall, "	40	..	...	80	80
Total					696	56	299	$13 93	$13 73

* Not represented in last session.